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Comment: I am a resident of western north carolina who listens to the low power fm station WPVM when I'm in Asheville, NC. However, I am unable to receive the station at my home in Marshall. Also, I often have difficulty with system interference even when in Asheville, the home of WPVM. It has come to my attention that much of the problem results from interference with WPVM's signal from a station relatively far away in east Tennessee. I urge you to change your rules to get rid of the third channel spacing rule, which would decrease that interference. Also, I would urge changing the rules to allow LPFM stations to use transmitters. This would probably allow me to receive WPVM at my home. I am an active member of my community, which includes the Asheville area WPVM, as a noncommercial station, provides a great service to my community, providing local information and services to the area which commercial stations simply do not. Please do all in your power to change the necessary rules to allow stations like WPVM to expand their services to their communities. They are not competing with commercial stations, but attempting to fill a need unmet by those stations. Thank you for your consideration.